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Project Overview

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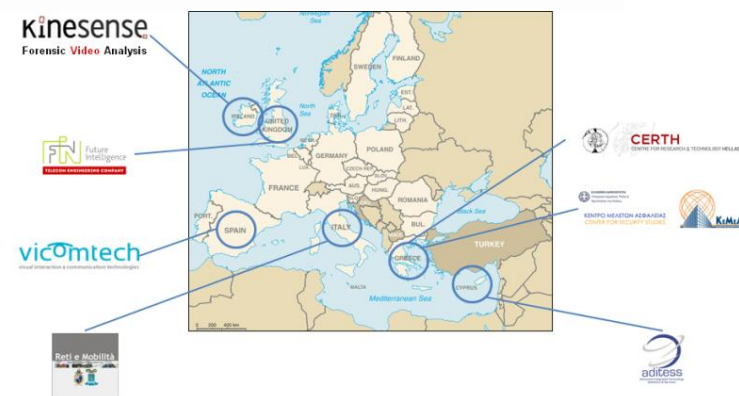


- P-REACT is...
 - a low-cost surveillance system...
 - that combines video, depth, and audio analysis technologies...
 - distributed between a local embedded platform (on-site) and a central service (cloud)...
 - focused in the prevention and early detection of petty crimes (also known as volume crimes)...
 - societal, ethical, legal, and privacy friendly.



The P-REACT project

- Some basic figures and key aspects:
 - 7 partners from 6 countries
 - 2 years project (April'14 – March'16)
 - 1.9 M Euros total budget (*1.5 M Euros EU funding*)
 - 11 members in the End-user advisory board





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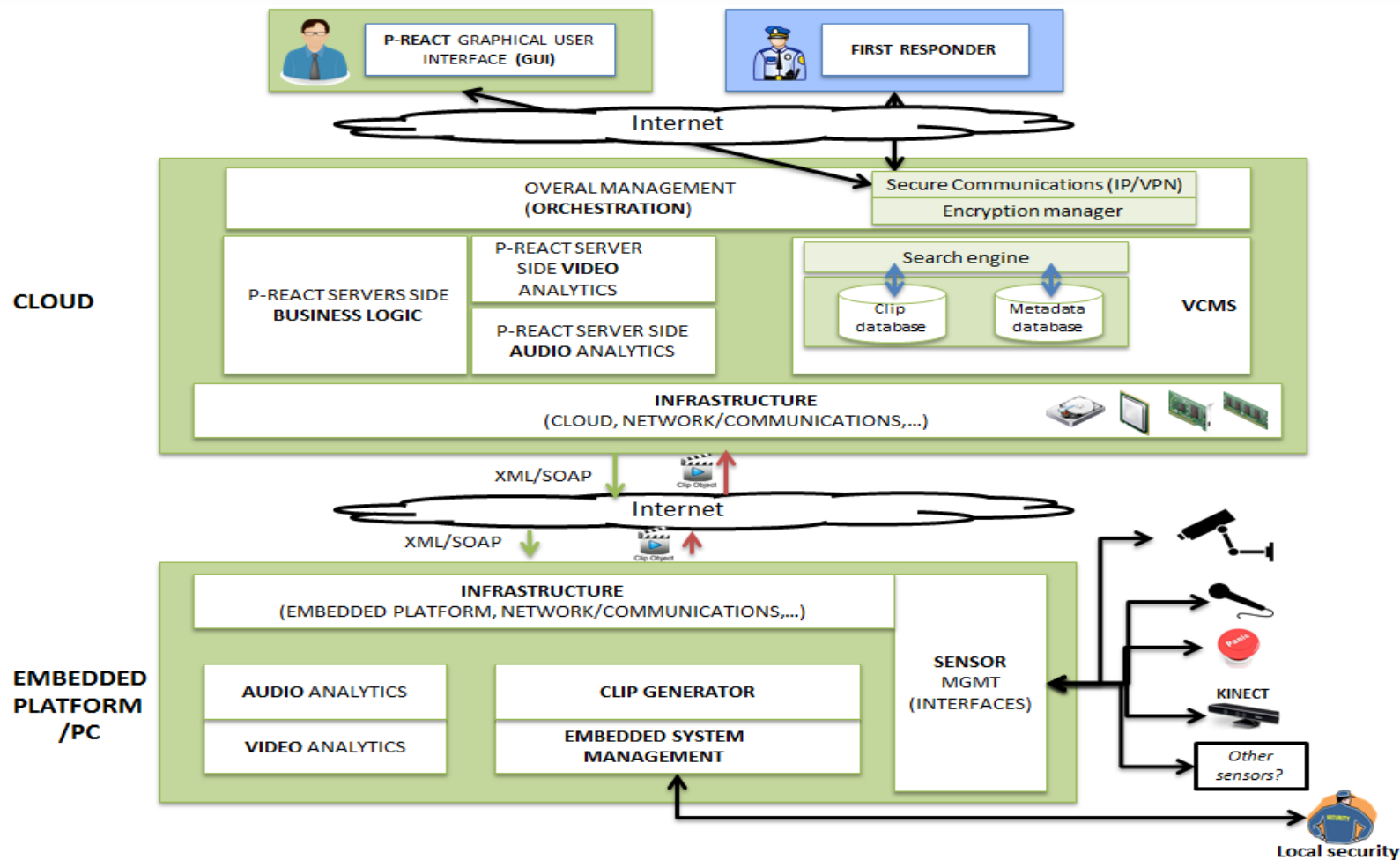
- **Objective 1:** To design and develop a cost-effective solution for petty crimes detection, response, investigation and analysis.
- **Objective 2:** To foster collaboration and communication between key users.
- **Objective 3:** Deliver novel video and audio analytics to detect petty crime incidents and develop crime reporting and analysis solutions to strengthen decision-making and responses.
- **Objective 4:** Delivery of novel low cost embedded framework with local intelligence and real-time alert categorization.
- **Objective 5:** To design and develop a novel cloud-based Video Content Management System (VCMS) that is capable of being delivered as service.
- **Objective 6:** To exploit the use of semantic-technologies to aid crime analysis and mapping which will help forecast, prevent and detect future petty crimes.
- **Objective 7:** To analyse technical barriers in the standardisation and scalability of the technologies and to ensure that any societal, ethical and legal issues are properly balanced and addressed.
- **Objective 8:** Demonstration, Validation and Evaluation of the proposed system according to defined user scenarios.



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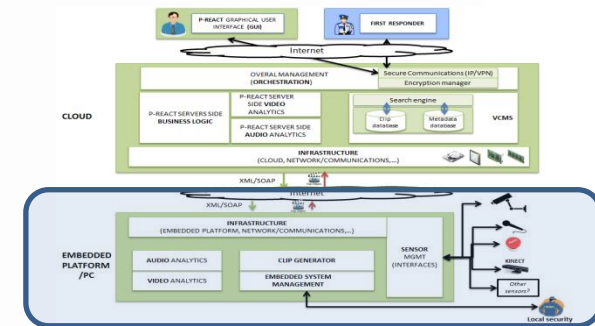
The P-REACT solution





Embedded System

- **Embedded System Manager**
 - Is responsible for effectively coordinating all the components of the embedded system
- **Sensors Manager**
 - Acquires sensors' data or gets/updates sensors' configuration
- **Analytics Module**
 - Perform the appropriate analysis in order to detect petty crimes
 - 3 Sub-Modules for Video, Depth and Audio analysis
- **Clip Generator**
 - Is fired when a petty crime has been detected and gathers the necessary data



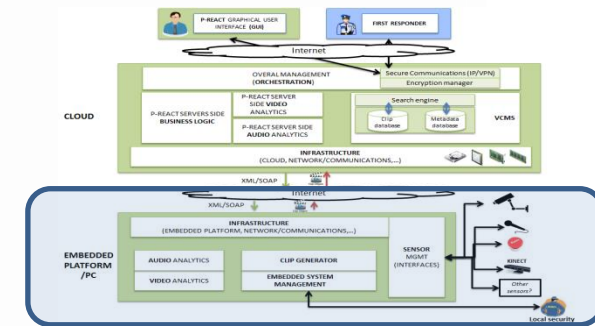


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Embedded System

- Embedded Systems, with Ubuntu Linux, are installed in P-REACT's users premises towards providing a first level detection of petty crime incidents.
- Currently are available:
 - Single and dual core embedded systems enabling the realization of a low cost solution.
 - Eight core (with GPU) embedded systems enabling for the deployment of more sophisticated petty crime detection algorithms.

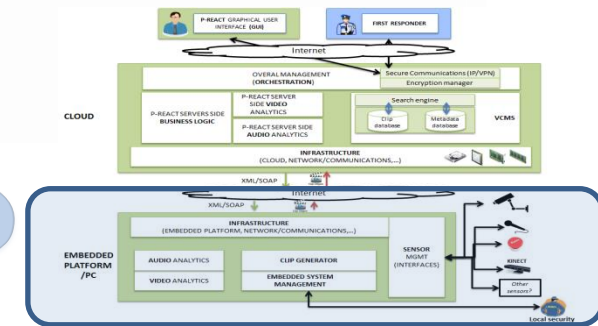
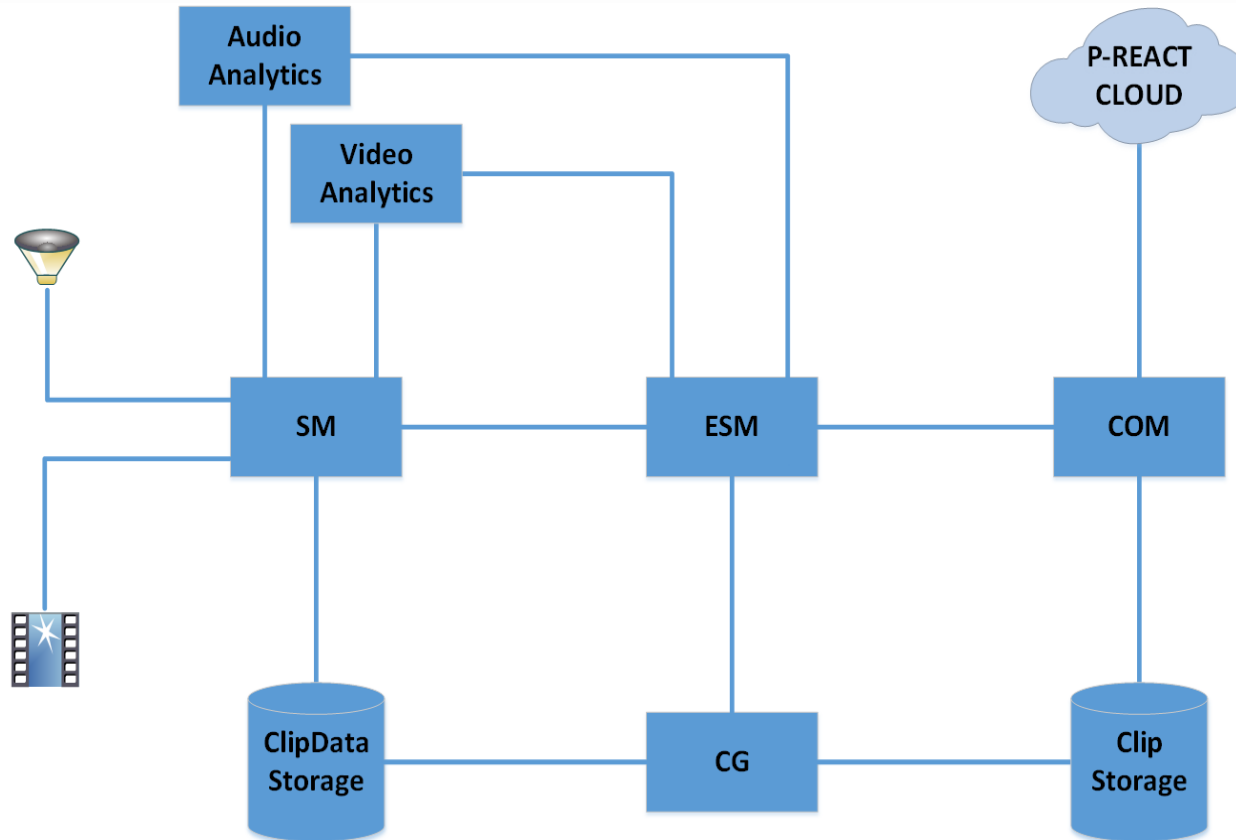




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Embedded System Key SW Modules



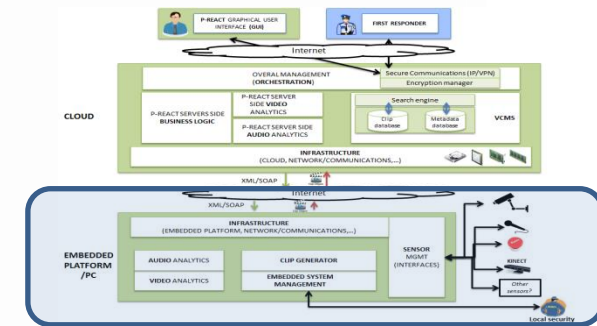


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Sensors

- Several USB, Network cameras and microphone sensors have been tested and integrated in the Embedded System's operational pipeline.



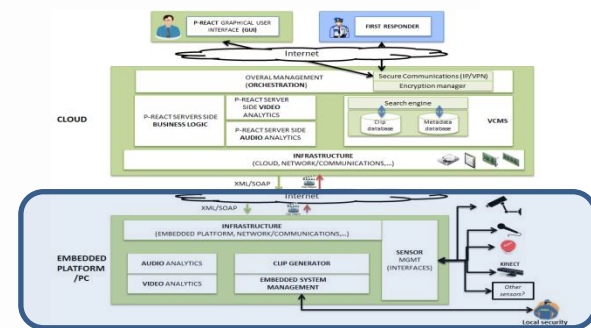


Video Analytics (Embedded): Video

- **Types of detected events:**
 - Fighting
 - Chasing
- **Results (accuracy) on the BEHAVE dataset:**

RT	Baseline	Baseline+MHs
Fighting	82.57	88.70
Chasing	71.54	77.24

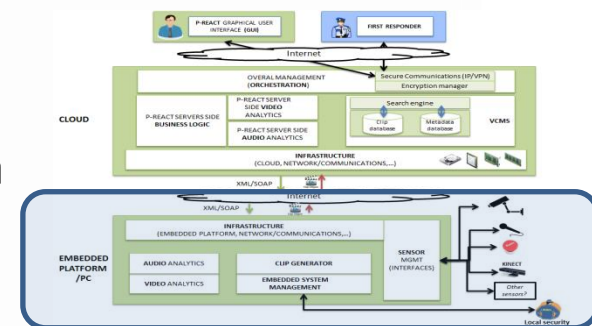
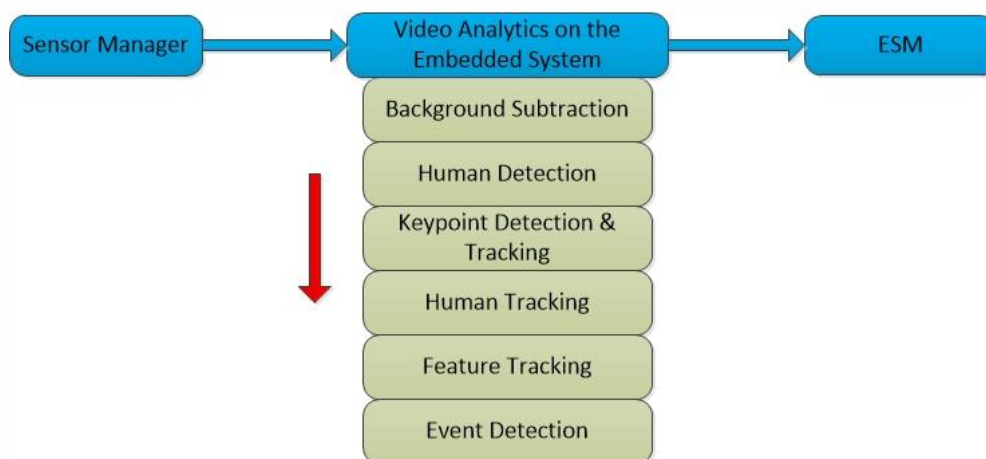
- **Status:**
 - Development finished
 - Testing and optimizations remaining



Video Analytics (Embedded): Video

• Problem:

- Detect abnormal events in real time from RGB data



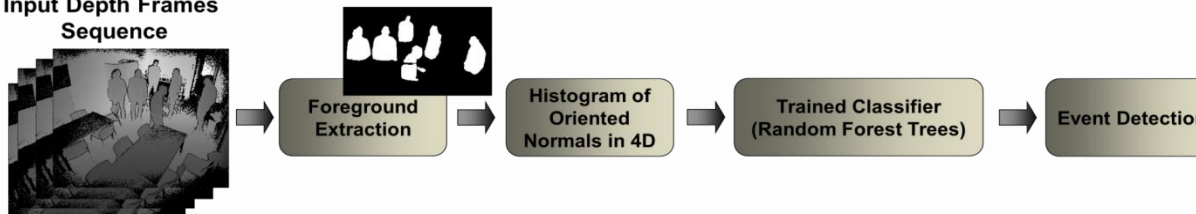
• Methodology:

- Subtract background to reduce computational costs
- Detect and track humans using keypoints
- Detect abnormal events using humans' position and motion

• Problem:

- To be able to detect abnormal events (petty crimes) using only the depth stream from a Microsoft Kinect V2 sensor in (close to) real time

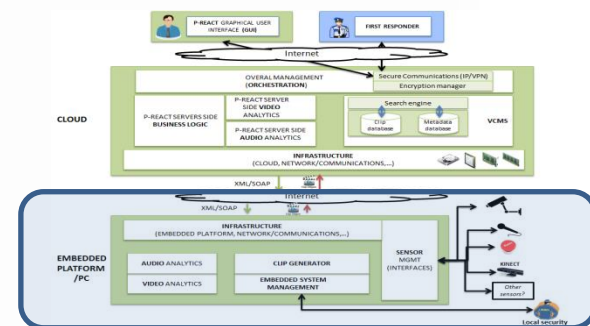
Input Depth Frames Sequence



• Methodology:

- Input: depth images sequence
- Foreground extraction
- Feature Extraction (HON4D) [1]
- Random Forests Classifier → Event Detection

[1] Omar Oreifej and Zicheng Liu. HON4D: Histogram of Oriented 4D Normals for Activity Recognition from Depth Sequences, CVPR 2013.





Video Analytics (Embedded): Depth

- **Types of detected events:**

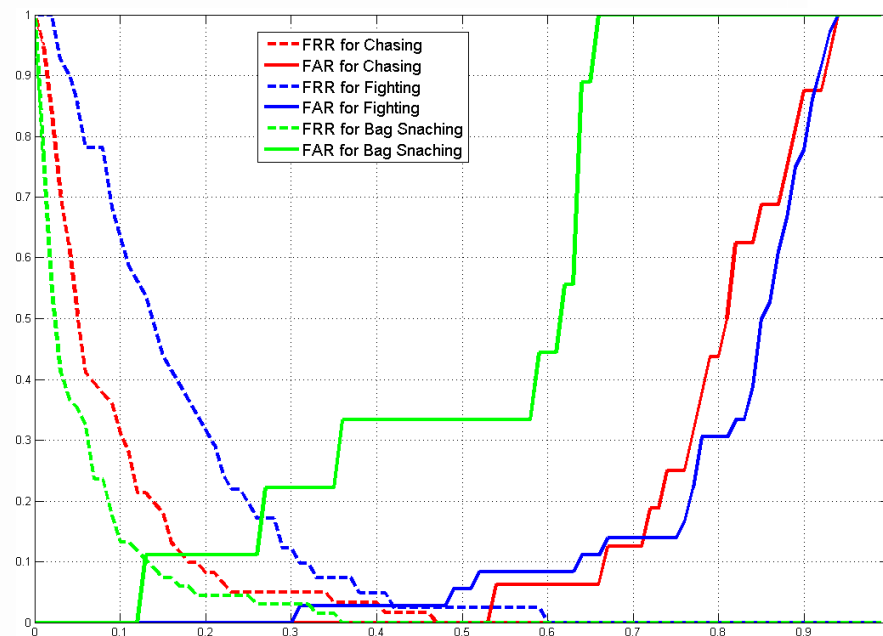
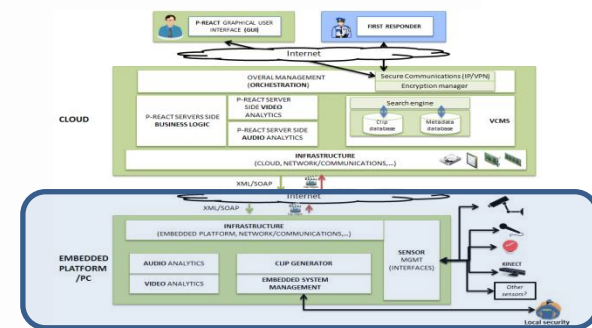
- Fighting
- Chasing
- Bag Snatching

- **Results (Equal Error Rates):**

- Chasing: 0% at 0.5
- Fighting: 3% at 0.45
- Bag Snatching: 11% at 0.13

- **Status:**

- Development finished
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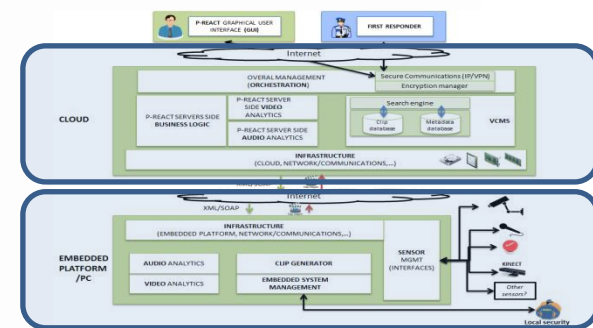
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Audio Analytics in more detail

Audio covers a 360-degree area and adds as much to our understanding of events as the captured images

- Based on well-established methods from the fields of audio coding, machine learning and speech recognition
- Allows efficient operation on low cost power limited devices (or embedded systems)
- Manages the detection abnormal events:
 - Screaming
 - Gunshots
 - Glass Breaking
- Critical for the seamless triggering of a surveillance system



Parameter	Configuration		
	#1	#2	#3
F_s (kHz)	8	8	8
Block (ms)	140	100	140
FBank	22	22	22
MFCC	13	13	10
Classification Error	1.40%	1.60%	1.60%
Time (ms)	85.74	89.06	65.13

Figures obtained from statistical testing with the deployment of bootstrapping with replacement and 5x2 cross validation f-testing

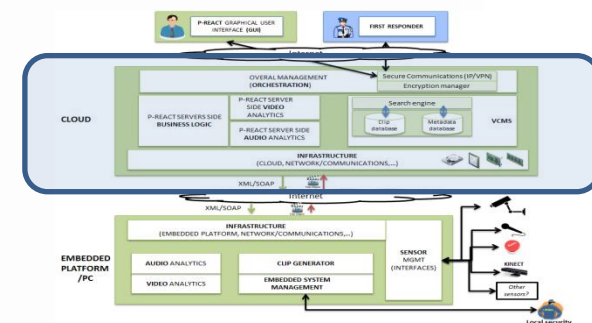


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The Cloud side

- **Orchestration**
 - Central point via which all communication takes place
 - Logging operations
- **Brain**
 - Manages the clips, VCMS and interfaces with the human operators
 - Is responsible for Alert raising, interaction & control, real time monitoring
- **Analytics**
 - Analytics on the cloud (video, depth and audio) aim to provide richer information about the petty crime and the people involved
- **Video Content Management System (VCMS)**
 - Manages and updates metadata
 - Provides fast indexing and retrieval of content
- **Clip Storage**
 - Stores the actual clip data (video, depth, audio)

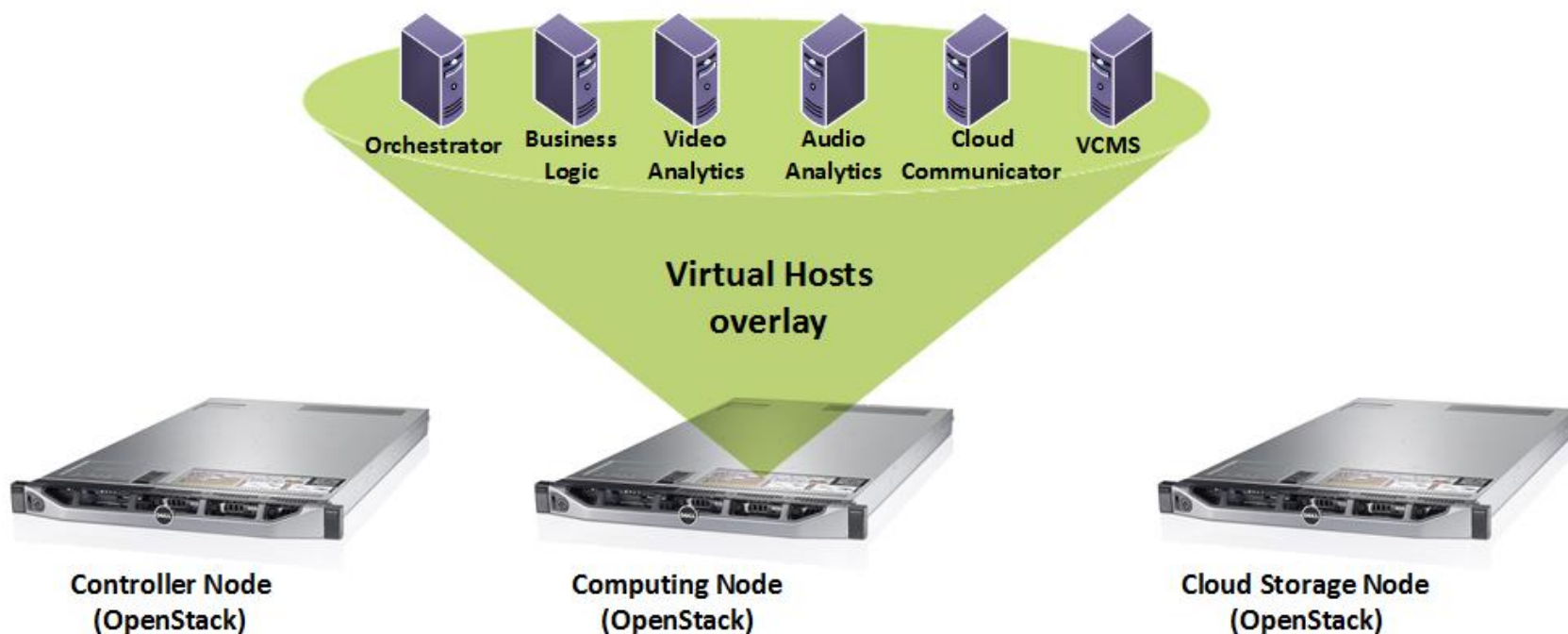
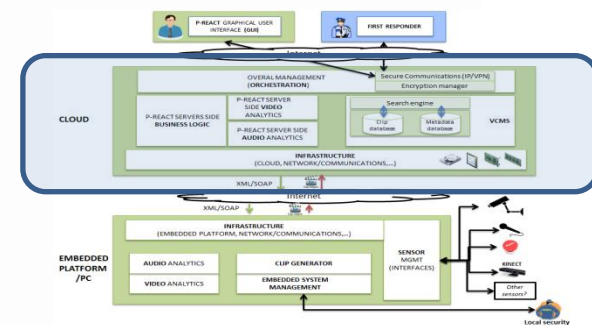




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- Deployment of:
 - Openstack and corresponding controller and computing nodes.
 - Cloud storage, Virtual OSeS, firewalls, ACLs and backup solution.

Cloud Infrastructure





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VCMS in more detail

The VCMS is a content management system for the efficient management, archiving, fast-indexing, processing of multimedia content through a modular architecture

- **Authentication & Security Module**

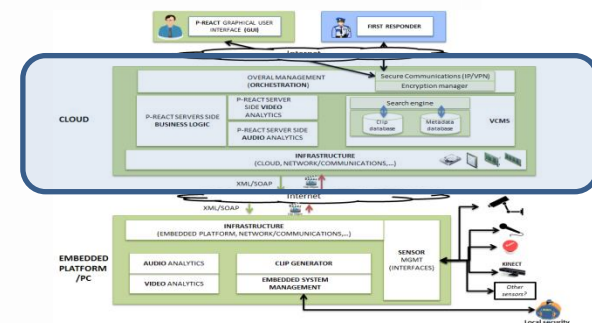
- Its use is possible only to authenticated users
 - Implements authenticity levels for users
 - Allows the definition of static metatags
 - Maintains a log of all actions and events taking place
- } Important for complying with ethical issues

- **Repository Module**

- Handles data access and configuration issues
 - Sensitive data may be associated with an expiration data
- Implements functionality **expanding, updating, searching** the repository

- **Processing Module**

- Supports several existing containers and formats
- Additional formats may be added as pluggable modules
- May be used for transcoding, compressing or manipulating stored content

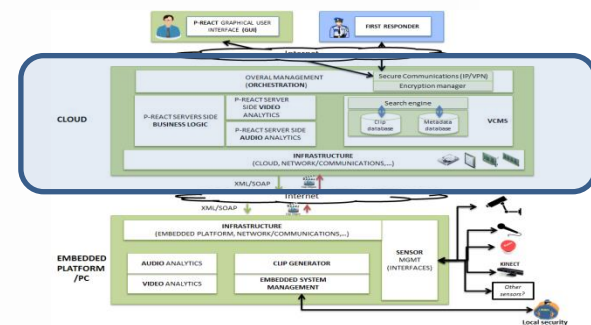




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- **User Privileges:** supports different levels of authentication
 - *Basic:* view content
 - *Intermediate:* view, update, download content, access to users' repository
 - *Tech Admin:* manages all technical aspects, no access to actual content
 - *Administrator:* manages both technical and data aspects
- **Advanced Queries**
 - Proximity searches
 - Integrated maps
 - Calculates duration of incident
 - Provides field-related information

VCMS in more detail





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VCMS in more detail: Use Case

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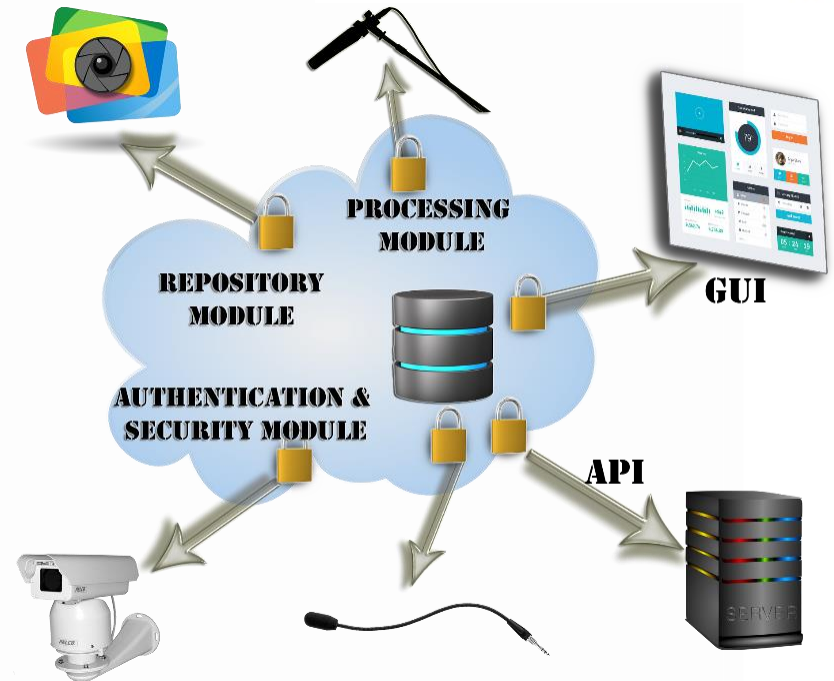
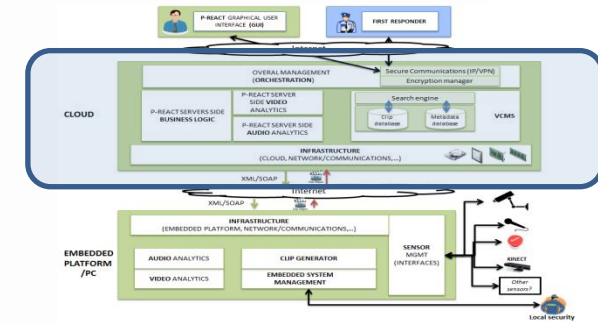
- Commercial IP cameras
- Video Servers
- Surveillance Microphones
- Photo Cameras

2. Metadata for each file are generated according to its attributes.

3. Authenticated users may access the system through:

- The GUI
- Initiating callbacks to API

Time tracking metadata are also automatically generated allowing the system to erase content that should not be retained any longer.

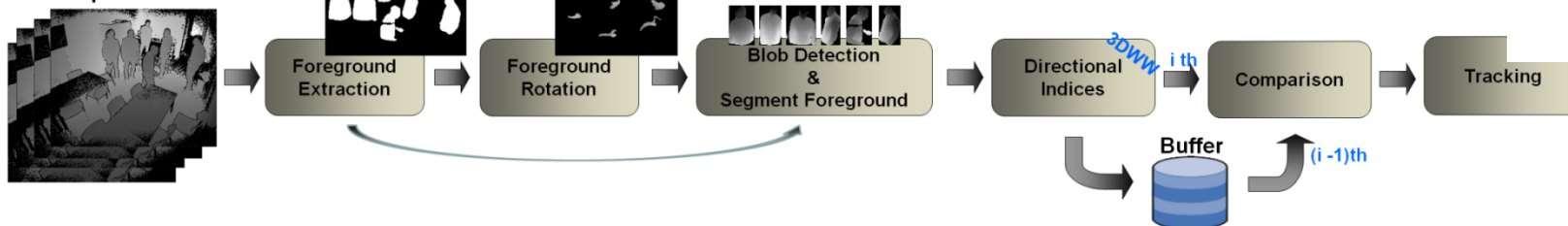


Video Analytics (Cloud): Depth

• Problem:

- Given an input depth stream from an embedded system, to identify the involved people in depth streams stemming from other embedded systems.

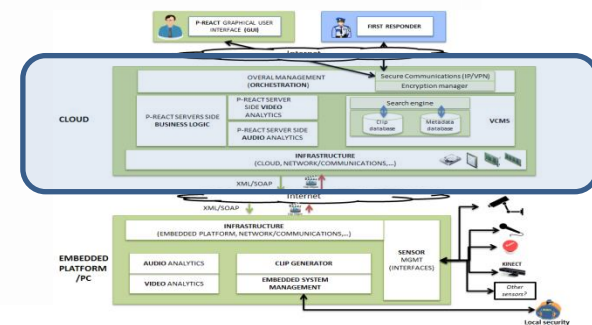
Input Depth Frame Sequence



• Methodology:

- Foreground extraction & rotation to top-view
- Blob detection (on top-view) and foreground segmentation (real-view)
- Feature extraction - 3D Weighted Walkthroughs (3DWW) [1]
- Feature comparison → identification

[1] Stefano Berretti, Alberto Del Bimbo, Pietro Pala, "3D Face Recognition Using Isogeodesic Stripes", *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis & Machine Intelligence*, vol.32, no. 12, pp. 2162-2177, December 2010





P-REACT Social, Ethical, Legal & Privacy Issues Management

- Analysis of how collected data will be handled based on the applicable legal and regulatory requirements
 - Identify any induced risks and evaluate protection mechanisms and processes
- Identification and address of privacy and ethical concerns within the early stages of platform's design and development
- Adhere to Privacy by Design Approach
 - Based on underlying legal and normative framework at EU level



P-REACT Social, Ethical, Legal & Privacy Issues Management

- Performed a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA)
 - Validated it's results by EAB external members
- Set out
 - Guiding Design and Implementation Principles
 - Implementation and Deployment Guidelines
 - Implementation and Deployment Checklist
 - As interim internal ethical and data privacy audits
- Definition of Procedures for Protection of Privacy for Informed Voluntary Participants
 - Nomination of Data Protection Expert



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The trials of the project

- Two trials, one in Bologna, Italy, (transport use case) and one in Athens, Greece, (small shop or gas station use case).
- Trials will be conducted in controlled areas, real to operational environment, with the participation of external experts.
- Best practices and experience from other finished and on-going projects will be used.
- The work package focused on the trials starts in July 2015 and further definition and preparation of the trials will take pace until Autumn 2015.

Thank you for your attention!

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